# **Commissioning Board**

Held at Council Chamber, Ryedale House, Malton on Thursday 24 January 2013

## **Present**

Councillors Andrews, Arnold, Clark, Mrs Cowling (Chairman), Mrs Frank (Vice-Chairman), Fraser, Hope, Richardson, Mrs Sanderson and Walker

#### In Attendance

Fiona Brown, Nicki Lishman, Phil Long, Kim Robertshaw and Julian Rudd

## **Minutes**

## 85 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hicks and Mrs Keal

# 86 Minutes of Meeting held on 22 November 2012

## Decision

That the minutes of the meeting of the Commissioning Board held on 22 November 2012 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### 87 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Arnold declared a personal non pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in Item 10 as he was a taxi driver.

Councillor Fraser declared a personal non pecuniary but not prejudicial interest in Item 9 as he had a business in the sector and in Item 11, as he was the Council's representative on the Board of Community Leisure Limited.

## 88 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

# 89 Part A - Items dealt with under delegated powers or matters determined by the Board

# 90 **Exempt Information**

#### Decision

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public be excused from the meeting for the following item as there will be a

likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as the information relates to any business or financial affairs of a company.

# 91 Review of Council Funding for CAB - Presentation by Housing Manager

Considered – Presentation by the Housing Manager.

#### Decision

Members asked Officers to prepare a report on what our future commissioning relationship with the CAB might look like and possible funding routes, with Members preferred option being 1A in principle.

Councillors Clark and Richardson requested that their abstention from the vote be recorded.

# 92 Progress Report Overview and Scrutiny Committee Recommendations

Considered – Report of the Head of Corporate Services

#### Decision

That Members of the committee considered the recommendations to the Commissioning Board made in the scrutiny review report into the role of the Council in supporting a sustainable voluntary and community sector. Members also noted the decision of Council on 10 January 2013 regarding this matter.

In detail, the decisions were as follows;

#### 1. Adopted.

Reason: The Council core funds a very limited number of organisations and this review would reflect the approach agreed at Commissioning Board held on 24 January 2013 to core funding of the Ryedale CAB. Members requested more information on the North Yorkshire Compact.

- 2. Adopted, subject to the addition of "should be" following "funding". Reason: Linked to 1 above, this is in line with the principles agreed to in the North Yorkshire Compact.
- 3. Adopted.

Reason: This is consistent with the decision of the CIF Panel to support RVA volunteering services.

4. It be deferred subject to receipt of more information on the role and the cost implications for the Council.

- 5. Approved. This approach is consistent with good practice in budgeting and grant making.
- 6. Approved. This approach is consistent with good practice in budgeting and grant making. Members welcomed the introduction of additional monitoring of outcomes, subject to available resources.
- 7. It be deferred subject to the receipt of more information on the existing grants programme.

# 8. Adopted.

Reason: This approach is consistent with good practice in budgeting and grant making. It was noted that the extent of such activities would be subject to resources available.

## 9. Adopted

Reason: This reflects current practice at the authority and is a key role of an elected member.

## 10. Adopted.

Reason: Noted. Members considered that the Council already does this at every opportunity.

# 93 Creative Economy Commissioning Update

Considered – Report of the Head of Economy and Infrastructure

#### Decision

- (i) That the "service objectives" identified for the future approach to the creative economy be endorsed; and
- (ii) That the "planning" phase of the creative economy commissioning process commenced through dialogue with potential service providers.

## Part B Items - Matters to be referred to Council

## 94 Fees and Charges

Considered – Report of the Corporate Director (s151)

## **Recommendation to Council**

That Council be recommended to approve the following fees and charges exceptions:

(i) An increase of 2.5% in Ryecare charges;

- (ii) No increase in Taxi Licensing fees;
- (iii) An increase of 3.4% for water sampling units;
- (iv) An increase of 3.3% for markets (charge for vehicles); and
- (v) An increase of 5.5% for rat control visits

#### 95 **Procurement of Leisure Contract**

Considered – Report of the Head of Environment, Streetscene, Facilities, ICT

## **Recommendation to Council**

That the decision to recommend to Council to approve the allocation of up to £60k from the operational reserve for the Leisure Contract procurement, be deferred until a special meeting of the Commissioning Board. Officers were requested to prepare a report providing information on the procurement options available, explanation of the grant and procurement rules, expertise required to undertake the procurement exercise and background on previous procurement processes.

# 96 Any other business that the Chairman decides is urgent

There being no items of urgent business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

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